

GREAT GRANITE MOUNTAIN

Annual Report of This Peerless Mine to the Stockholders, for the Fiscal Year.

The Dividends it Has Paid and the Wealth it Has Produced.

An Important Strike in the Southern Cross Montana Mining Dividends for Ten Months.

The annual report of the Granite Mountain Mining company, addressed to the stockholders, is out. It is a very complete and interesting document. President Ramsey's report being of special interest. It gives a succinct history of the property which will prove valuable when the history of mining in Montana shall have been compiled. Among the interesting points noted in the report some are here given. The total product of the Granite mines at government standard value has been \$14,235,135.28, while the total receipts were \$10,988,800.24, showing that the demonstration of silver by our government has cost the company to July 31, 1889, \$3,346,335.14, or over 30 per cent. of the gross income.

President Ramsey also says: "I am glad to say that our company has acquired about all the property necessary for our purposes in the conduct of our enterprise, so that we may now devote our energies and means to the working and development of properties already acquired, and the enrichment of our stockholders, and to add largely, we trust, to the material prosperity of the nation and the world. During the fiscal year ending July 31, 1889, we have paid out in twelve dividends, \$1,900,000. This makes an aggregate of \$6,700,000 paid out in fifty-five dividends. To anticipate a part of the report of the next fiscal year, let me say that on November 9th we shall pay dividend No. 50, which will make \$7,500,000 returned to stockholders since April 8, 1885, or \$19 per share on our capital stock, consisting of 400,000 shares, of the par value of \$25."

The first chapter in the history of the organization of the Granite Mountain company is as follows: The property was originally located in the autumn of 1872, but was allowed to lapse from time to time until July 6, 1875, when the claim known as Granite Mountain lode claim was located by Messrs. James W. Estill, Eli D. Holland and Joseph M. Merrill, and recorded July 11, 1875; and the claim known as Granite Mountain Extension lode claim was located Nov. 30, 1878, by David Simmons, and recorded Feb. 7, 1879. By deeds dated Oct. 18, 1880, Charles D. McClure acquired title, and by power of attorney dated Nov. 1, 1880, he granted to Charles Clark the right to sell all his interest in the property. Until Mr. McClure acquired the title, the claims were thought to be "good prospects," but inaccessibility, and consequently but very little development work was done prior to the autumn of 1880. Mr. Clark was able to interest the following gentlemen so as to form a syndicate to demonstrate the value of the property, viz: Charles Clark, Louis Duse, Samuel Gaty, Edwin Harrison, Jesse L. January, John R. Linsberger, Lewis M. Ramsey, Moses Ramsey, Augustus F. Shapleigh and Charles Tassig. These gentlemen completed their organization as a syndicate Dec. 24, 1880, Mr. McClure retaining the largest interest.

What these gentlemen have accomplished can be seen by the amount of dividends the property has paid.

"Deep Mining in Montana." Among the mining notes printed in Friday's INDEPENDENT was a paragraph headed "Deep Mining in Montana" which purported to have come from Henry Bratton. A reporter called on that gentleman yesterday and he expressed great surprise at the publication of such a statement, as he never had any such notions or ideas as to Montana's mines, which statements he said were entirely new to him. He has always maintained, he says, and still maintains that the best ore in Montana mines will be found below the 1,000 foot level. It was on the 1,700 foot level that the Comstock encountered its great bonanza after passing through a barren space of 700 feet. Inasmuch as Montana has practically had no experience in deep mining, he says that such a statement as published is wholly absurd. Relative to the Dr. McClure, Mr. Bratton has not been in that mine for more than two years and knows nothing of its underground workings.

The statement published was obtained through a second party, and Mr. Bratton when asked by a reporter if his sentiments were embodied in the article, promptly replied that he never made such a talk, and in justice to the gentleman and his well known integrity as a mining man, this statement is made.

The Southern Cross. Secretary Platt of the Southern Cross, was in the city yesterday to convey some good news to President Harris. The Southern Cross is now under the management of John McConnell, a metallurgist and geologist who of late years has assisted the late Professor Clayton in his reports of mines and in whom Professor Clayton placed great confidence and readily recommended him as a man having a knowledge of ores equal to his own. Mr. McConnell had not been at the mine a week until in the west drift of the 120-foot level he opened up a body of first-class ore, which is richer than any yet encountered. Several samples were sent to Butte and the ore assayed from \$38 to \$41 per ton in gold. Heretofore the \$30 ore was a first-class article. In writing to the president of the company stating the company's needs, Mr. McConnell said it was too bad that a million dollar mine could not have better operating facilities. The company has contracted to have crushed 1,000 tons of ore in the Cameron mill and the stamps will begin operating next Monday. The announcement that the mill started last Monday was premature.

Montana Mining Dividends. The following dividends are reported from Montana mining companies for the first ten months of 1889:

Boston & Montana	\$400,000
Granite Mountain	2,000,000
Hecla Con	150,000
Jay Gould	71,000
Lexington	61,000
Montana (Limited)	26,250
Official	1,000
Parrott	30,000
Pyrenees	5,000
Total	\$2,988,250

The Champion Mortgage. Deer Lodge Silver State: The trustees of the Champion Mining company borrowed \$20,000 on yesterday, and gave a mortgage on the property for that amount. The company is not in debt at present, but they have contracts ahead that will involve that amount for improvements, and they are now prepared to meet the demand. This will put the mill in running order and start things up business like all around.

WITH KNIFE AND PISTOL.

Kentucky Politicians Engage in a Desperate and Deadly Fight.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 8.—Col. Wm. Cassius Goodlee, member of the national republican committee, and collector of the Seventh internal revenue district, stabbed and killed Col. A. M. Swope, a prominent republican, at Lexington this afternoon. Goodlee was shot and fatally wounded.

The men met in the postoffice corridor and when each saw who the other was, they glared at each other fiercely. Then some angry words followed, when both suddenly drew their weapons. Swope a pistol and Goodlee a clasp knife. As soon as the weapons were drawn Swope fired and Goodlee knocked the pistol down as it went off, the ball entering his abdomen on the right side. Goodlee then began stabbing his opponent in the breast with his knife. After several blows had been struck by Goodlee Swope fired again, missing Goodlee. After firing the second shot Col. Swope fell on his face, and uttering in his bloodied hand almost instantly. On his person were found thirteen wounds on the back, arms and breast. Immediately after the killing Col. Goodlee went to a physician, where he was examined. He was perfectly cool and made a disposition of his property in case of death. The cause of the difficulty was a statement made in the republican convention May 1, 1888, by Goodlee that fully two-thirds of the Fayette county delegation in the convention did not speak to Swope. Col. Goodlee has been for years a prominent man in Kentucky politics. He was minister to Belgium under Hayes and is a member of the National republican committee, being chairman of the committee on speakers. He is 48 years of age, married and has eight children. Col. Swope was 45 years of age and unmarried. He was collector of internal revenue under Grant and Hayes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Col. Dudley, this afternoon, in response to a telegram asking for particulars in regard to the tragedy at Lexington, received a message stating that Col. Goodlee's hurt was very serious, but not necessarily fatal. The intelligence of the tragedy and its probable fatal termination to both persons was a profound shock to a number of persons in the city. Col. Goodlee had many friends here. As a member of the republican national committee he naturally enjoyed the confidence of the chief public men of the republican party and his courtesy and genial nature gave him a warm place in the affections of not only those with whom he was in political accord, but of those with whom he differed in national affairs. By marriage he is related to Senator Beck, of Kentucky, and when in the city he was a frequent visitor at Senator Beck's residence, and here he met many democratic members of congress. The president knew Col. Goodlee well and esteemed him highly. The news of his probable fatal shooting affected him to a most marked extent. The intelligence seemed to stun the president almost as though it had been a near relative. The book which he was holding in his hand at the time fell to the floor and for a few moments he paced nervously and abstractedly up and down. The subject is the one topic of conversation to-night among public men and in public places.

Another Killing.

LEXINGTON, Va., Nov. 8.—Reports received here from Brownsburg, a small village of about 200 people in Rockbridge county, fourteen miles from Lexington, say that the village is terribly excited over a bloody fight between leading men of the vicinity. Dr. P. J. Walker, one of the most prominent physicians and surgeons of the state, had threatened the life of Henry Miller, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Rockbridge county for insulting the former's wife. Miller invited Walker arrested and placed under bond to keep the peace. This afternoon the case came up in the magistrate's court and the trouble soon started which ended in both sides drawing weapons. Miller was killed. Dr. Walker fatally wounded, and Mrs. Walker who was a witness, was also killed. Dan and William Miller, sons of the accused were shot, and Dan seriously wounded. Samuel Benson and others whose names are unknown, were also injured. The sheriff and posse have gone to the scene of the trouble.

Killed Two Men.

CHESISTOWN, Md., Nov. 7.—Frank Harris shot and killed A. L. Trusty and Edwin Brown last night. The parties were negroes, and the affray happened at a negro entertainment. It is said there was a woman in the case.

RAILROAD RUMBLES.

Progress of Railways in and Out of Montana.

The Washington & Idaho railroad, which the Manitoba railway company will purchase for its east extension, is being built at the rate of two miles per day. The track is now laid from Tekon, on the mail line of the O. R. & N., to Spokane Falls and regular trains running. The grade is completed for about eighty miles east of Spokane and track is being laid at the rate of two miles per day. It is expected to have track laid to Missoula in about one year from date.

The Boulder Age of yesterday has the following: The Northern Pacific brought suit against eighteen citizens in the Whitehall country for condemnation of right-of-way on the Butte and Gallatin branch.

Nine cars loaded with graders' outfit and a cash-load of men came in by the Northern Pacific Sunday night to work on the Elkhorn branch. Half a dozen or more cars were expected in last night.

Work on the Elkhorn branch of the Northern Pacific is progressing fairly. There were fifty cars of supplies for the new road at the Boulder yard one day this week, the Prickly Pear yard is filled with loaded cars of supplies for the branch, and there are more cars at the various stations between Boulder and the junction. Track-laying will probably begin next week, and there are indications that the road is to be pushed through to Elkhorn without any delay.

The commissioners appointed to appraise the right-of-way for the Elkhorn branch over some of the property near Elkhorn have completed the appraisal and made their report. They award \$1,000 to L. G. Turney on placer ground and \$3,500 on other ground. McMillan & Brick are to receive \$25 for land taken on the Gray Eagle lode claim and \$75 for damages to the same, while they will pay \$25 for benefits derived. Dr. Edgar Brooke is awarded \$75 for placer land taken and \$125 for damages to claim. McMillan, Terrill, and Brick are given \$75 for land taken on the Highland Mary lode claim and \$250 for damages to the claim, and they are assessed \$125 for benefit received.

Another Dakota Railroad.

St. Paul, Nov. 8.—A Pierre, South Dakota, special to the Pioneer Press says: The boards of trade of Omaha and Pierre have united in incorporating a new railroad, Pierre is to build a line within two years. The road will extend up the Sioux river from Mankato to Pierre via Mitchell, and will be called the Omaha and Pierre railway. It is expected to complete the line by July 1.

Another Murder Mystery.

St. Paul, Nov. 8.—The mutilated body of a man who evidently had been murdered was found yesterday near Lake Johanna. Beneath the body was a common bar barrel. The body had been cut and the trunk and

lower parts doubled up together. Upon the head of the barrel was nailed a cleat upon which had been carved, "a traitor." The coroner thinks the body had not been buried more than two months. The mystery has been investigated, but no solution arrived at as yet.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Isaac L. Usher, of Lacrosse, Wis., well known through the northwest, died suddenly at the depot in Boston yesterday as he was returning home from a visit to Maine. State Treasurer Hart, of Pennsylvania, died at 12:15 o'clock last night. He has been ill for some time.

The funeral of Mrs. E. G. Dougherty, who passed away at Boulder, Wednesday, Nov. 6, occurred yesterday and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends. The funeral train arrived from Boulder yesterday morning with a number of the friends of deceased. A procession was formed to the Catholic cathedral, where mass and imposing obsequies were held. After the services the long cortege extended to the cemetery, where all that remained of a loving mother and respected woman were consigned to their last resting place.

Mrs. Dougherty was a daughter of Commodore N. Hilgert. She was born in Minnesota, December 6, 1850, and in company with her parents crossed the plains, reaching Helena in 1867, where she resided continually until the time of her marriage, Nov. 22, 1882. From which time she was a resident of Boulder. After a brief illness which refused to yield to all the medical aid that could be secured her sickness developed into pluralis of the heart. She leaves a husband and four children.

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Fatal Accidental Shot.

CUSTER, Nov. 8.—[Special.]—A. L. Knudtson, section foreman at Pompey's Pillar, accidentally shot himself to-day with a rifle, the ball taking effect below the ribs. He died soon after. He leaves a wife and one child.

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